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World's Industrial Exposition.  
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REPORT OF HON. S. A. JONAS,

STATE COMMISSIONER TO WORLD'S INDUSTRIAL AND COTTON
CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31, 1885.

Hon. Rob't Lowry, Governor of Mississippi :

DEAR SIR: In compliance with the requirements of section 5 of "an Act to create the Exposition Bureau, and to make an appropriation therefor, and for other purposes," I have the honor to submit herewith an itemized list of disbursements made on account of the State's exhibit at New Orleans, from April 1, 1884, to April 10, 1885, except in the matter of salaries of employes, which are covered by this summary to April 30, 1885.

This report includes two distinct funds. One, the appropriation by the Legislature under the Act just cited, approved March 8, 1884, and the other, an amount agreed upon at a joint conference between the U. S. Commissioner for the several States and Territories and the Director-General of the Exposition, to be allotted to each U. S. Commissioner out of the million dollars loaned by the Government of the United States to the Managers of the "World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition," to defray, or aid in defraying, the cost to each State and Territory of installing its exhibit.

The State appropriation amounted to \$12,500. The contribution from the management was intended to be \$5,000, out of which \$1,000 was to be reserved by them and applied to the erection and furnishing of headquarters, reading rooms, etc., in accordance with an agreed plan.

Owing to certain financial complications and embarrassments consequent upon the vast expansion of the Exposition beyond the most sanguine estimates and calculations of its projectors, and losses of revenue through delays in opening incident to freight gorges, rain storms for seven consecutive weeks, street car strikes, etc., the management was unable to fully meet its engagements with the several States and Territories, even though assisted by Congress to the extent of a handsome donation by Act approved March, 1885, at the solicitation of a committee sent on to Washington to represent before Congress the Board of United States Commissioners for the several States and Territories having exhibits at New Orleans, and the Management of the Exposition,

of which committee your Commissioner had the honor to be a member.

The entire amount received from the management was as follows:

Warrant No. 1	\$1,333 00
Warrant No. 2	1,000 00
Contingent aid fund	1,618 75
Total	<u>\$3,951 75</u>

In addition to this, the management claimed, and was granted, in a general compromise to which all the States and Territories were parties, a credit of \$500 on account of such carpenters' work and material as it had consumed in providing office rooms, to our State Department, in lieu of the "Headquarters" originally agreed upon.

The report of expenditures from the State fund is a recapitulation of the itemized bills sent up to you for approval from time to time, and upon which warrants were issued by the Auditor, in compliance with section 5 of the Act making the appropriation. Inasmuch as no money was at any time advanced by the State in furtherance of her exhibit, but all disbursements were made by the Auditor, upon vouchers approved by the Governor, for supplies already paid for, or services already rendered, the funds, so far as controlled by your Commissioner, were fully accounted for to the disbursing officers of the State before they left the Treasury. The vouchers, therefore, for all payments included in my report of State funds are now in possession of the Commonwealth, and have been approved and certified as the law directs.

In reference to the fund received from the Board of Management and from the Assistant Treasurer of the United States in compliance with the Act of Congress in furtherance of the agreement between said Board of Management and the Board of United States Commissioners of the several States and Territories, I submit herewith vouchers covering all payments claimed to have been made, and slightly in excess of the amount of such funds.

On April 10, 1885, feeling that my presence was no longer essential to the proper conduct of an exhibit that was complete so far as reasonable expectations would warrant, and having given every day of my time to the service of the State in over twelve months of arduous, exacting, and often depressing and disheartening labor, I notified you of the receipt of a telegram from the Secretary of the Interior offering me a position in his office contingent upon my reporting at an early day, and asked you to accept my resignation as State Commissioner, at the same time warmly commending to your consideration, as my successor, Mr. Ramsey Wharton, of Hinds county, a young gentleman of fine ability, excellent business habits, thoroughly imbued with the importance of maintaining the high status Mississippi had achieved

in the friendly rivalry of States at the great World's Exposition; and who had been constantly employed in the Mississippi Department under my orders and observation in every branch and detail of the business for over six months.

You declined to accept my resignation or designate a new Commissioner under the Act of March 8, 1884, but were kind enough to authorize me to make such arrangements not inconsistent with the interests of the State as would enable me to accept the Federal position tendered me. Acting upon this authority, and with a confidence in his integrity, ability and courage, that time has thoroughly vindicated. I appointed Mr. Wharton "Acting Commissioner" for Mississippi, at the salary I had been receiving from the State, payable out of the Exposition aid fund, and transferred to him all the properties, moneys, etc., in my possession.

Although practically released from duty at New Orleans. I was not relieved of responsibility and labor, as it became necessary for me to manage, to a large extent, the negotiations as United States Commissioner for the collection of the delayed installment of the aid fund, \$1,618.75, which was not paid for some months afterwards, and I have been forced to carry on a very extensive correspondence by mail and telegraph, incident to my late official connection with the State exhibit.

As will appear by accompanying vouchers, I turned over to my successor, acting Commissioner Wharton, \$1,793.75, after paying the salaries of the Exposition corps for the month of April. A portion of this amount, \$1,618.75, was not received from the Treasury Department of the United States until August, but by obtaining proper certificate from the Board of Management of the amount due us, and depositing the same properly endorsed with the State National Bank at New Orleans, Mr. Wharton was enabled to negotiate a loan of \$1,200.00 upon easy terms, that sufficed to bridge over all difficulties.

The total amounts received by me from the management, U. S. Treasury, and other sources, were as follows :

Management.....	\$2,333 00
U. S. Treasury.....	1,618 75
Sale of surplus boxes.....	7 50
	\$ 3,959 25
Total disbursements and amounts turned over..	4,011 92
Excess of disbursements over receipts.....	52 67

It is very difficult to make a summary from the vouchers showing the amounts expended on account of each of the several items covered by disbursements, for the reason that in many cases they are so interwoven as to make any attempt at separation mere guess work. For instance, under the head of "Lumber and Carpenters' Work" and "Exhibition Plant," are included many dollars that could more appropriately be charged against

“Women’s Work,” “Horticultural Exhibit,” “Geological Exhibit,” etc., and the same may be said of the items of postage, telegraphing, freight, printing and traveling expenses, but the following apportionment is nearly correct:

Salary of Commissioner.....	\$ 1,320 46
Expense account of Commissioner.....	640 30
A. B. Hurt. salary and expense account.....	687 50
H. V. Wall, salary and expense account....	760 65
G. T. Hamilton, salary and expense account.....	692 50
Other salaries.....	1,847 00
Timber Exhibit, including salary of James K. English, Collector and Exhibitor	1,200 65
Horticultural Exhibit, including exhibition “plant” and salary of Dr. H. E. McKay, Collector and Exhibitor.....	1,530 42
Woman’s Work Exhibit, including exhibition plant, and salaries of lady Commissioners	1,307 54
Geological Exhibit, including exhibition plant, and salary of Dr. W. Spillman, Collector and Exhibitor	594 70
Fish Exhibit, including exhibition plant and alcohol..	232 80
Purchase of Miscellaneous and Field Exhibits.....	247 57
Printing, stationery and blank books	238 50
Exhibition Plant, consisting of glass ware, show-cases, tables, stands, etc., not included under the headings of Horticultural, Geological, Woman’s Work, or Fish Exhibits.....	943 90
Iron railing around, and dividing Mississippi space..	276 60
Lumber and carpenter’s work	605 71
Freight, drayage, expressage and storage.....	281 16
Postage	163 33
Telegraphing.....	57 40
Extra laborers	70 35
Nails, tacks, tools, etc.....	68 56
Secretary, five months and a half, at Aberdeen ...	110 00
Desk room in office in New Orleans, pending comple- tion of building.....	40 00

Total amount disbursed through S. A. Jonas,
State and United States Commissioner\$13,917 60

Section 6th, of the Act approved March 8th, 1884, provides that whatever property may be in the possession of the State in connection with her exhibit at New Orleans, whether in the shape of exhibits or plant, purchased or donated, at the end of the World’s Exposition, shall be turned over to the A. and M. College, at Starkville, to be there retained as the property of the State. Your wise determination to unite with the Executives of the other States and Territories in continuing the representation of Mississippi’s products, resources, industries, genius, progress and aspirations at New Orleans for another year, has

prevented the delivery of these goods and products to the Agricultural and Mechanical College at the date comprehended in the legislation above cited, but I have every reason to believe that they are now fulfilling a mission fraught with benefits to the commonwealth far more comprehensive than if in the custody of the College, while their delivery in accordance with the will of the Legislature, is merely postponed.

This property will consist of an extensive assortment of glass ware, purchased for the exhibition of fruits, seeds, small grain, fish etc.

Many feet of handsome show cases purchased for the exhibition of woman's work and other valuable and delicate fabrics, goods and relics.

An extensive geological collection with a plant embracing a number of glass cases, tables, etc., made for this exhibit.

Two large wood stands, made from Mississippi woods, with their contents, representing fleeces from many counties.

A number of handsome exhibition tables, made of a combination of our Mississippi furniture woods.

A large and valuable wine stand, made of a number of kinds of Mississippi furniture timber, highly polished.

An extensive and varied exhibit of the tobaccos grown on Mississippi soil.

A great variety of articles of white oak, gum, etc., illustrative of the adaptability of our timbers to the manufacture of "wooden ware."

An extensive exhibit of earths, clays, pressed brick, fire brick, earthen ware, glass sand, glass ingots, etc.

The finest timber exhibit ever gotten together in any one collection, by any State, Territory or country.

In addition to the above, there will be numerous minor exhibits and properties representing our resources, products and industries, at the disposal of the State at the termination of the present Exposition, and it is agreed by the various railroads that the terms of free delivery which were guaranteed to exhibits at the World's Exposition, shall continue in respect of all exhibits held over for the present Exposition at New Orleans.

In regard to the timber exhibit, it is proper for me to say that many of the finest specimens were contributed by the counties of Jackson, Wilkinson, Warren, Holmes, Yazoo and Washington. The lists from these counties, though small as compared with the general exhibit of the State, and duplicating each other in frequent instances, each included many lordly specimens; and in almost every case where the contribution of the county surpassed that gotten out by the Agent of the State, the latter was discarded.

The exception to this rule was in instances where it seemed wise and politic to exhibit specimens from various sections of the State.

A considerable timber exhibit in the shape of dressed blocks was also sent down by Montgomery county; and I received a

large number of fine specimens in slabs from Noxubee county, which were so delayed in transportation that I found it impossible to place them to advantage in the general exhibit on their arrival, and had them carried to the gallery where they formed an important and interesting addition to the exhibit by our colored fellow-citizens.

Owing to accidents in transportation, we suffered very severe loss in the matter of glassware. Entire collections of fruits from certain localities arriving with hardly an unbroken jar in the cases, while numerous instances came to my knowledge of splendid horticultural specimens, shipped in "solution," being weeks on the way, and coming to hand without a drop of fluid in the jars, and the exhibits utterly ruined. I do not mention these circumstances complainingly, for I am satisfied they were unavoidable to a great extent, but merely to explain secondary purchases of glassware and alcohol, and to show how much grander and more complete, but for these circumstances, would have been a horticultural exhibit that as it was, astonished Mississippi, the South, the country, and the World.

Dr. H. E. McKay, Chief of this Department, his Assistant, Mr. C. W. Gallagher, of Meridian, and their numerous associates and co-workers of both sexes in all sections of the State, were indefatigable in their labors in this behalf, yet in many instances after success was apparently assured, and the fruits in excellent condition were carefully packed and shipped, they were caught in the "great freight gorge," and delivered after weeks of detention, in deplorable and ruinous condition. Nevertheless, Mississippi exhibited a greater variety of fruits than any other State, and scored as many prizes as any of her sisters, while in many instances where she had been unknown before as a producer, she asserted and maintained supremacy.

To enter into the minutia of Mississippi's exhibits at the Great World's Exposition, would unprofitably swell this summary, but I submit as part of my report the accompanying copy of the **"Catalogue of Exhibits,"* published by Hon. E. G. Wall, Commissioner of Immigration of our State, to whom during the course of my canvass and the progress of the Exposition, I was almost daily indebted for valuable aid and patriotic co-operation.

As must inevitably have been the case where thousands of articles were to be enumerated and credited, this catalogue has its share of errors and omissions. Some of them I have discovered and corrected from memory, so as to make this as nearly as possible an official record. Others will only be detected by the parties who have been unintentionally wronged, but in each instance I hope that the patriotism that prompted the contribution will find compensation for the regretted mistakes of the compilers, in the fact that each offering, whether blazoned or anonymous, fulfilled its mission, and aided in placing dear old Mississippi in a brighter,

*Two thousand copies of this Catalogue were published by the Commissioner of Immigration, and the same were freely distributed.

nobler, braver light before the world, as a rival in everything, to any State or Territory, save mineral resources and fabrics.

In preparing a catalogue, it was found impossible to include exhibits of vegetables without doing great injustice to multitudes of contributors, for the reasons that hundreds of the finest specimens shipped to us were so long in transit that they rotted or shrivelled on the way, and many others came to us unlabeled and so long after the receipt of notice of shipment, that it was impossible to trace products to producers, and other specimens never were either marked or heralded. In addition to this, the display of vegetables was perpetually changing. We were every day hauling out and hauling in, and though we resorted to varnishing in the hope of preserving fine specimens for a long time, we were only moderately successful, owing to their general bruised and otherwise bad condition at time of arrival.

The report of Dr. H. E. McKay, Assistant Commissioner, in charge of Horticultural Exhibit, which appears in the catalogue above referred to, shows that Mississippi "took the grand sweep-stake premium for the best collection of varieties of fruit from any State or country, exhibiting for this premium one hundred and sixty-four varieties."

In the matter of oranges we were excluded by the terms of the original programme from general competition. A matter of great disappointment to our producers, as they confidently expected to take first prize in a contest with the entire orange producing world, upon every variety grown within our borders. As the rules restricted the competition to which we were invited, to the States of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, and the Republic of Mexico, we were obliged to make the best of the situation with the following gratifying result:

Best collection, not less than twenty varieties, from the Gulf Coast, West of Florida, gold medal and \$100.00.

Best collection of fifteen varieties, silver medal and \$75.00.

Best collection of five varieties, silver medal and \$25.00.

Best plate of any variety, silver medal and \$10.00.

We also took premiums to the amount of \$105.00 on strawberries, exhibiting as many as thirty distinct varieties.

Under the direction of Assistant Commissioner, J. J. Spelman, our colored fellow citizens made a highly creditable exhibit in the gallery of the Government Building in the Division especially controlled by Hon. B. K. Bruce, of Bolivar county. In the general plan for Mississippi's presentation at the great Exposition, we made no arrangement looking to a division of her people on lines of race or color in the advertisement of their resources and industries, hence many valuable exhibits upon the lower floor and in the Woman's Work Department of our State were received from colored Mississippians and retained as a part of the general exhibit of the Commonwealth.

The Woman's Work Exhibit of Mississippi has never, in the opinion of persons largely experienced in such matters, been ex-

celled at any Exposition or Fair. It was great in everything, from forestry to needlework, and was typified in every branch of our exhibit, and upon the lower floor as prominently—or more so—than in the gallery.

Our splendid exhibit of Woman's Work in the gallery was denied adequate space for fair display, being restricted to a frontage of twenty-six feet, though it would have been cramped had twice that space been allotted to us. But for the fact that we were hard pressed for room upon the lower floor, I should, at an early day of the Exposition, have moved our entire Woman's Work Exhibit down stairs, where every article of merit would have attracted the attention and commendation of the public that were lavished upon those testimonials to the genius and industry of Mississippi's daughters that were of necessity placed in the State Department proper. I regret now, that I did not adopt this course, as Mississippi received no aid from the Management in the matter of the distribution of glass show cases for Woman's Work, and no portion of the fund, fifteen thousand dollars, appropriated by Congress in that behalf.

In this connection it is proper that I should say that from the very first, the women of Mississippi gave their best efforts to the work of representing their grand old State fittingly at New Orleans. In every county they were in the van where there was hard, earnest work to be done, and what they attempted they generally accomplished, and what they promised, they uniformly performed. While my memorandums and correspondence during 1884, exhibit an almost continuous line of broken pledges on the part of the men who promised aid in the way of exhibits, I cannot at this moment recall a half dozen unredeemed promises from Mississippi women, and in almost every one of these instances the failure was due to sickness, death, or misapprehension of the magnitude of the proposed undertaking.

To name all the noble women to whom the State is greatly indebted in this behalf, would be impossible in my report, yet it is proper that I should single out as a representative spirit in a contest and labor that was often painfully discouraging and dispiriting. Mrs. Kate S. Minor, of Natchez, to whose continuous efforts, dauntless courage, and talented leadership, Mississippi's exhibit at New Orleans is greatly indebted for whatever measure of success it achieved. The Commissioner will also take this occasion to acknowledge the valuable and extended in arranging and decorating the Mississippi space, by Mrs. Henry C. Myers, of Holly Springs, and Mrs. Will Henry, of Jackson.

In making acknowledgement on behalf of the State to the many whose gratuitous efforts in her behalf were conspicuous, I will, I am sure, be pardoned for singling out as constant and steady workers, and men who were appealed to in every emergency with perfect confidence in their prompt response, Gen Stephen D. Lee, and Prof. Gully, of the A. and M. College; Capt. J. W. Lambert, of Natchez; Capt. T. J. Ross, of Macon; Capt. F. M. Abbott,

of Clay county; Mr. Robert Brown, of Monroe county; Capt. J. W. Howard, of Aberdeen; Mr. D. L. Phares, Jr., of Woodville; Mr. M. M. Evans, of Moss Point; Col. J. L. Power, of Jackson; Prof Lawrence C. Johnson, of Holly Springs, United States Geological Survey; Mr. James Thomas, of Biloxi, and Capt. W. W. Stone, of Greenville.

To the newspapers of the State I was indebted for a support that was earnest, energetic, enthusiastic and patriotic. I had daily occasion to use their columns and constant need for their intelligent aid, and Mississippi is largely indebted to the continuity of their efforts and the sagacity of their writings for her successful debut as an Exposition State at New Orleans.

From the railroads we received generous assistance in the matter of free transportation of exhibits, and there was evident endeavor on their part to make deliveries as promptly as their facilities and peculiar surroundings and embarrassments would admit of. In this connection it is due to the Managers and Officers of the M. & O. and L. & N. Railroads, that I should say that they seemed to enter enthusiastically into the spirit of the Exposition, rendering us every assistance in collecting and delivering the exhibits that it was in their power to give.

From the chiefs and subordinates of all the State offices at the Capitol, I received at all times hearty co-operation and assistance, and from the Alternate United States Commissioner, Hon. A. B. Hurt, and my staff of canvassers and exhibitors the most valuable aid during the entire period of their service.

In conclusion, I have to say in all sincerity and earnestness, that but for the determined and steady support given me by you at all times and under all circumstances, from the commencement of the canvass until the exhibits were in place at New Orleans, it would have been impossible for Mississippi to have made the presentation that was so gratifying to those of her children who visited the Great Exposition. Respectfully,

S. A. JONAS,
Late State Commissioner, and U. S. Com'r.

DISBURSEMENTS.

From State appropriation on account of Mississippi exhibit at
New Orleans Exposition, through S. A. Jonas, State Com-
missioner, as per approved vouchers on file in the Auditor's
office.

May 14.	S. A. Jonas, salary.....		\$ 107 14
	S. A. Jonas expense account as follows:		
	Postage	\$ 12 90	
	Stationery.....	7 00	
	Telegraphing.....	1 75	
	Expenses, Cincinnati.....	2 50	
	Expenses, Covington, Ky.....	20	
	Expenses, Mobile.....	5 50	
	Expenses, Corinth.....	2 50	
	Secretary, 1 month.....	20 00	
	Ticket to Meridian.....	3 80—	\$ 56 15
June 2.	S. A. Jonas, salary.....		107 13
	S. A. Jonas, expense account as follows:		
	Postage	5 70	
	Expressage.....	30	
	Telegrams.....	1 10	
	Ticket f'm Jackson to Bogue Chitto	1 95	
	Ticket, Bogue C. to Brookhaven.	30	
	Ticket, Brookhaven to Jackson....	1 65	
	Ticket, Mobile to N. Orleans.....	4 25	
	Ticket, N. Orleans to Mobile.....	4 25	
	Board.....	7 50	
	Hack.....	75	
	Street cars and baggage wagon....	1 20	
	Incidental expenses.....	3 00	
	Sleeping car.....	2 00—	33 95
June 10.	A. B. Hurt, salary.....	100 00	
	A. B. Hurt, expense account:		
	Railroad fare.....	35 30	
	Hotel.....	34 75	70 05
June 12.	D. W. Spillman, on account of collector soils, marls, etc.....		75 00
June 14.	Jas. K. English, first payment as per contract with State Com- missioner for preparing timber exhibit		100 00

June 23. S. A. Jonas, expense account
June 1 to 22:

Telegrams.....	3 20	
Postage.....	7 20	
Expenses at West Point.....	2 80	
Expenses at Jackson.....	8 50	
Expenses at Artesia.....	3 00	
Expenses at Starkville.....	1 00	
Railroad fares.....	15 35	
Postage on circulars from Expositi- tion Bureau	4 50	
Express on glass jars for horticultu- ral exhibit.....	4 75	
Stationery.....	3 20	
Letter heads.....	4 00—	57 50

July 3. S. A. Jonas, salary..... 107 14

July 14. S. A. Jonas, expense account to
July 10, as follows:

Postage.....	5 90	
Telegrams.....	75	
Railroad fare and sleeping cars....	16 20	
Hack hire.....	2 25	
Expenses in New Orleans.....	7 00	
Expenses in Ellisville.....	3 00	
Expenses in Moss Point.....	3 00	
Expenses in Scranton.....	2 00	
Expenses in Mobile.....	2 00	
Expenses in Meridian.....	4 00	
Expenses in Artesia	1 50	
Horticultural exhibit, printing in Meridian	3 00	
Horticultural exhibit, printing in Aberdeen.....	2 00	
Printing vouchers and cards.....	5 00	
Paid T. B. Jordan for sumac and bloodweed	10 00—	67 60

July 17. Jas. K. English, second payment
on contract for timber exhibit.... 100 00

Amount extra expense as per con-
tract 25 00 | |

Domestic and paper for protection
packing..... 7 00— 132 00

August 5. Horticultural department, Jud-
son & Co.'s Rochester, N. Y.,
bill for specimen exhibit fruit jars
furnished 272 85 | |

August 7. S. A. Jonas, salary July 1 to 31 107 00

S. A. Jonas, expense account from
July 11 to 31:

Postage..... 5 70

Aug. 7. Stamps for circulars.....	10 00	
Telegraph dispatches.....	50	
Railroad and sleeping car fare.....	16 30	
Expenses at Artesia.....	75	
Expenses at Mobile.....	2 50	
Expenses at Enterprise.....	2 25	
Expenses at Bay St. Louis and Ship Island	3 50	
Hack to Ulman's Mills.....	1 50	
Expenses at New Orleans.....	5 00	
Expenses at Hattiesburg and Meri- dian.....	1 50	
Expenses at Jackson... ..	4 00	
1000 letter heads and 500 cards....	7 00	
1000 official envelopes.....	4 00	
500 circulars.....	3 00	
Secretary for month of July.....	20 00—	87 50
August 7. C. W. Gallagher, expense ac- count as follows:		
Expressage on fruit jars from Roch- ester, N. Y.	41 05	
22 dozen jars bought in Meridian..	39 95	
2 gallons alcohol	5 50—	86 50
August 7. H. E. McKay, expressage paid by him on jars from Rochester, N. Y.		39 55
August 5. A. B. Hurt, salary July 15 to 31.		50 00
Railroad fare and hotel expenses...	17 50	
Postage stamps.....	1 00	18 50
August 16. H. E. McKay, amounts paid as follows:		
23 dozen fruit jars and freight paid on same from Louisville to Jack- son.....	51 80	
Alcohol, 6 gallons for same from Lemly.....	16 45	
Alcohol, 4 gallons from Butler, Hol- ly Springs	12 00	
Alcohol, 10 gallons from Spies, Chi- cago	23 25	
Alcohol, 2 gallons from self for cash	5 30	108 80
August 25. Jas. K. English, final pay- ment on contract for getting out timber, 100 varieties and extra al- lowance for expenses		204 16
September 1. S. A. Jonas, salary for Au- gust.....		107 00
S. A. Jonas, expense account for August:		
Stamps, extra postage, etc.....	8 60	
Railroad and sleeping car fare.....	40 51	

Sept. 1	Telegrams and expressage	2	85	
	Exchange and discount on Rochester draft	1	36	
	Hack and buggy hire	7	00	
	Expenses at Corinth	3	25	
	Expenses at Artesia	1	50	
	Expenses at Macon	2	00	
	Expenses at Guntown	1	50	
	Expenses at Scooba	2	50	
	Expenses at DeKalb	1	00	
	Expenses at Meridian		75	
	Expenses at State Line	2	50	
	Expenses at Enterprise	1	00	
	Expenses at Heidelberg	1	00	
	Expenses at New Orleans	7	50	
	Alcohol for Dr. Shannon, Ocean Springs	5	85	
	Alcohol for J. J. Mays, Macon	4	00	
	Wheat, 2 bushels fancy, Alcorn county	3	20	
	Purchase of plantation Ex	9	40	
	Salary of Secretary for August	20	00	—\$ 127 27
Sept. 5.	G. T. Hamilton, salary as traveling agent one month and 7 days at \$75.00	92	50	
Sept. 8.	J. L. Lyons, New Orleans, for 3 dozen jars	21	00	
	Twenty gallons alcohol at 2.40	48	00	
	Cartage, goods for Thomas and Elmer	60	00	— 69 60
Sept. 10.	C. W. Gallagher, for alcohol and other expenses in collecting and preparing fruit			68 75
Sept. 12.	H. E. McKay, alcohol, Phillips & J., Canton	8	75	
	Alcohol and other expenses, J. Q. Hall, Carthage	18	50	
	Alcohol, W. H. Cassell, Canton	12	38	
	Alcohol and other expenses, T. S. Richmond. H. Sprigs	16	25	— 55 88
Sept. 15.	Jas. K. English, trip to Louisville, Ky			44 80
Sept. 16.	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, purchase and expense account Sept. 1 to 15 inclusive.			
	Postage	8	85	
	Telegraph dispatches		75	
	J. M. Platt, basket expense	13	00	
	Alcohol for Dr. Woodward, Louisville	3	25	

Sept. 16.	Railroad and sleeping car fares..	15 55	
	Hacks.....	1 25	
	Expenses in New Orleans, Meridian, West Point, Artesia and Macon..	16 50—	59 15
Sept. 17.	Jas. W. Lambert, agent, Natchez, for show cases for Natchez Ladies Association.....	200 00	
Sept. 20.	L. C. Brakeman & Co., Corinth, for 7 slabs of stone from quarries of Tishomingo county, 40 miles from Corinth	55 00—	55 00
Oct. 1.	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, salary for September.....		107 12
	Expense account September 16 to 30 inclusive.		
	Postage.....	6 30	
	Postage on printed matter, etc., from New Orleans.....	9 40	
	Telegrams.....	75	
	Hacks.....	1 75	
	Railroad and sleeping car fares....	21 94	
	Expense at Corinth, Union City, Reives, Artesia, Columbus and Meridian.....	13 75	
	Salary Secretary for September....	20 00	
	4000 circulars, 4 forms.....	14 00	
	Billheads	2 00	
	1000 bristol board cards, shipping..	6 50—	96 39
	Whitall, Tatnm & Co., Philadelphia, for glassware and packing for plant at Exposition, urns and sec- tional jars for seeds	269 30	
Oct. 11.	I. L. Lyons & Co., New Orleans, for fish expense:		
	For jars and alcohol to N. Fenden, Bay St. Louis....	58 20	
	For jars and alcohol to F. May- berry, Scranton.....	32 50—	90 70
Oct. 13.	G. T. Hamilton, salary to Octo- ber 1.....	75 00	
Oct. 15.	Judson & Co., Rochester, N. Y. for glass jars for Horticultural exhibit, delivered at Madison and Meridian.....	119 70	
	M. F. Berry, Pachuta, for skeleton Zeuglodon, (Geol.)	28 30	
	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, expense account to October 15:		
	Postage.....	7 50	
	Expense at Artesia.....	1 50	

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Oct. 15	Expense at New Orleans.....	16 00.	
	Expense at Corinth.....	2 00.	
	Buggy and hack hire.....	1 50	
	Expense at West Point.....	1 00	
	Exchange on draft for glassware from Philadelphia.....	65	
	J. M. Pratt, White Oak expense...	6 00	
	Railroad and sleeping car fares....	10 00—	46 15
Oct. 20.	H. E. McKay, paid Shelby, Richmond.....	16 85	
	Paid R. M. J. Arnette.....	8 50	
	Paid freight and express.....	8 89	
	Paid stationery and stamps.....	11 25	
	Paid hotel and incidental expenses.	9 75—	55 24
Oct. 21.	D. W. Spillman, balance on ser- vices and expenses in getting up geological exhibit.....	185 00.	
Oct. 27.	Jas. K. English, for services for month of September.....	75 00	
	For expense for hauling, etc.....	10 10—	85 10
Nov. 1.	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, sal- ary for October 2, 1884.....	107 00	
Nov. 5.	Expense account October 16 to 30 inclusive:		
	Expense at Artesia.....	2 25	
	Expense at Meridian.....	3 50	
	Expense at Jackson.....	2 40	
	Expense at New Orleans.....	25 00	
	Railroad and sleeping car fares....	16 80	
	Postage.....	11 80	
	Telegrams.....	1 10	
	Exchange on Pennsylvania draft...	65	
	Hack.....	30	
	Boxes and packages.....	3 00	
	Leaf tobacco.....	2 52	
	Stationery, \$1.40; express, 55c; sal- ary Secretary for October, 20.00; 1000 letter-heads 4.00; 1500 ship- ping cards, 4.00; 1500 labels for Geol., 4.00; 1000 circulars, 4.00; miscellaneous, 6.00.....	41 95	—113 27
Nov. 4.	H. V. Wall, salary for October.		75 00
Nov. 5.	Ramsey Wharton, salary for Oc- tober.....		75 00
Nov. 6.	J. K. English, salary for October		75 00
	Tombigbee Woodenware Manufac- turing Co., for wine stand, tables and wool stands.....	380 00	
	For boxing same for shipment....	10 00—	390 00
Nov. 11.	A. B. Hurt, salary for August.	100 00	

Nov. 11	Railroad fares and hotel expense.	42 80.	
	Salary, September.....	100 00	
	Amount paid Mrs. Money, account		
	Woman's work material.....	10 00—	252 80
Nov. 12.	G. T. Hamilton, salary for October.....	75 00	
	Stamps and stationery to date.....	7 00—	82 00
Nov. 13.	C. W. Gallagher, alcohol and other expense in horticultural department....	136 00	
Nov. 17.	A. B. Hurt, salary for October..	100 00	
	Freight on large saw.....	1 05	
	Paid for corn, boxing and delivering.....	6 00	
	Paid for sorghum and jugs.....	3 00	
	Paid for postage, envelopes and paper.....	1 30—	111 35
Nov. 21.	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, expense account, to Nov. 19.		
	Sleeping cars.....	8 00	
	Expense at Artesia... ..	2 00	
	Expense at New Orleans.....	25 00	
	Postage.....	12 12	
	Exhibits and packing.....	7 20	
	Freight.....	2 05	
	Expressage.....	95	
	Telegraph dispatches.....	5 30	
	Stationery.....	1 05	
	Insurance on pictures	4 50	
	Rent for desk-room on Carondelet street, for two months, at \$10.00.	20 00—	88 17
Nov. 28.	H. E. McKay, paid Wade Harvey, Kosciusko.....	23 48	
	Paid Phillips & Jones, Canton.....	6 50	
	Paid K. M. Walton, Goodman.....	5 00	
	Paid G. S. Beall, Durant	1 65	
	Paid Mr. Weathersly, Durant.....	1 50—	38 13
Dec. 3.	Bryner & Niederer, ten corn bins at \$4.50.....		45 00
	J. H. Huirichs & Co., (Geol.):		
	Six show cases.....	90 00	
	Stands.....	30 00	
	Drayage.....	5 00—	125 00
	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, expense account to Dec. 1:		
	Postage.....	8 16	
	Telegraph dispatches.....	11 75	
	Freights and messengers from boats	5 25	
	Tags	2 00	
	Exchange	75	

Dec. 3	Dressing timber	8 10		
	Expressage	3 80		
	Drayage	4 20		
	Exposition in N. O., Scranton and Moss Point	29 90		
	Secretary at Aberdeen	10 00		
	Desk rent for Nov. 30, Carondelet street	10 00		
	Expenses Wall and Hamilton, appointing railroad agents	41 85—	135 76	
	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, salary		107 14	
	R. Wharton, assistant		75 00	
	G. T. Hamilton, assistant		75 00	
	H. V. Wall		75 00	
	J. K. English	75 00		
	J. K. English, traveling expenses for October and November	55 15—	130 15	
	Miss Maggie Kidd, salary for Nov.		75 00	
Dec. 5.	A. B. Hurt, salary for November	100 00		
	A. B. Hurt, traveling expenses	6 15		
	Paid for exhibits	11 00—	117 15	
	Examiner office, Aberdeen:			
	Labels for geological survey	4 00		
	Labels for timber	3 00		
	Shipping cards	6 00		
	Express cards	4 00		
	Blank receipts	3 00		
	Letter heads	4 50		
	Note heads	4 50		
	Label cards	3 50—	32 50	
Dec. 22.	C. B. Vance:			
	Getting out and shipping poplar cut, from Batesville		50 00	
Dec. 23.	H. E. McKay, expense account:			
	Paid R. Jackson for Japan Persimmon tree and fruit	17 50		
	Paid railroad hotel and incidental expenses	8 75		
	Paid R. Richmond	5 80		
	Paid express bills and collecting fruits and cans	3 75		
	Paid for six gallons of alcohol	10 25—	46 05	
Dec. 24.	M. W. Coleman, Bolivar county:			
	Cutting and loading cypress cut on cars at Coleman station		40 00	
Dec. 27.	Southern Express Company, expressage on Horticultural exhibit	47 15		
	Maurice Lacy, painting signs and pavillion		35 10	

Dec. 27	D. M. Hollingsworth, account, iron railing around space Mississippi Department.....		200 00
	Edward - Waldmayer, painting 11 posts at.....	1 50—	16 50
	A. Samuels, 6 screens.....	30 00	
	Four tables.....	14 00	
	Drayage on same.....	3 60—	47 00
	Roberts & Co., sash and lumber for model case.....		18 60
	Stevedore E. J. Gray, freight on express from Woodville.....		10 00
	Mrs. Geo. Huye, three dozen glass cases for tobacco and women's work.....		48 00
	N. O. Express, drayage from depots and trains to Exposition grounds to December 20.....		25 50
	W. P. Dale, carpenter work on fruit stands and model cases.....		24 80
	Louis Dabroe, expense and services on silk exhibit.....		38 20
	P. M. Wilson, fifty feet show cases, women's exhibit.....		125 00
	S. H. Walker, building pavillion, cotton house, frames, and fish stand.....		251 00
Dec. 31.	Louis Sincer, bill for painting and glazing.....		18 75
	H. E. Reynolds, salary for December.....		40 00
	J. K. English, salary for December	75 00	
	J. K. English, expenses traveling..	10 15—	85 15
	J. L. Walton, salary for December.		47 50
	V. Block, salary to Jan. 1st, '85, at.	50 00—	58 30
	G. T. Hamilton, salary to Jan. 1st, '85, at.....	75 00	
	Expense for purchase of cotton and timber, and travelling in full to January 1.....	49 00—	124 00
	Ramsey Wharton, salary to January 1, '85.....		75 00
	F. L. Hatch, salary to January 1, '85.....		75 00
	Dr. H. E. McKay, salary to January 1, '85.....		75 00
	Mrs. M. D. Leonard, salary to January 1, '85.....		75 00
	Miss Maggie Kidd, salary to January 1, '85.....		75 00

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Dec. 31 Miss M. Warren, salary to January 1, '85		15 00	
Miss M. Wren, salary to January 1, '85		15 00	
Tindall Evans, salary to January 1, '85		40 00	
H. V. Wall, for salary \$100, and amounts paid for laborers, drayage, carpenters, telegraph dispatches, etc., \$92 05, bill on file to January 1		192 05	
S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, salary for December		107 00	
S. A. Jonas, expense account as follows to January 1:			
Dust brushes	1 40		
Messenger	3 75		
Stationery	1 95		
Labels, tags and cards	13 75		
Stamps	9 75		
Laborers	32 25		
Freight and express	16 85		
Exhibits purchased	27 85		
Drayage	13 85		
Carpenters	7 95		
Repacking moss, etc	4 50		
Car fares, boats and hacks	17 95		
Telegrams	14 80		
Mucilage, glue, etc	4 50		
State seals, crests, etc	4 50		
Calico	5 80		
Ladies Department	5 40		
Wire, nails, etc	4 60		
Expenses in N. O., and miscellaneous	40 00—	231 40	
Dec. 31. B. J. Montgomery & Co., 5 3-foot tables		10 00	
Bryner & Neederer, 8 tables, \$30; 3 tables, \$5.25		35 25	
N. O. Expres Co:			
Drayage from levee and depots to Exposition to December	15 50		
Freight paid Stevedore E. J. Gay ..	5 00		
Bill for trays, Geological exhibit, from Dennison Manufacturing Co., St. Louis	28 50—	49 00	
Philip Hallaran:			
One case, Butter exhibit	15 00		
Table for Butter exhibit	4 00		
Drayage on same	1 50—	20 50	

M. Schwartz:	
Dec. 31 Trucks, \$7.50; hammer 65c.....	8 15
A. J. Ward's Sons:	
Bill for lumber rendered.....	120 63
Bill for lumber rendered	18 28

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Jan. 19. H. E. McKay, Horticultural Department:		
Paid for labels, express, trimmings, etc.....		68 75
Jan. 21. S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, expense account to date:		
Stamps and postage	3 50	
Expressage, freight and drayage....	52 35	
Car fares.....	6 20	
Mechanics and laborers.....	26 75	
Tacks, nails and calico.	12 35	
Labels, brooms, etc	4 90	
Exhibits.....	22 80	
Telegraph dispatches.....	2 50	
Rent of desk for December.....	10 00	
Stationery.....	1 75	
Varnish, mucilage, etc.....	2 00	
Assessment Board of Commissioners.....	2 00	
Expenses in New Orleans... ..	30 00—	177 10
J. Thos. Scharff:		
5 sash at \$3.....	15 00	
12 sash at \$3.....	36 00	51 00
David Bernhardt:		
Bill for glue, stain, brushes, etc....		4 70
W. P. Dale, carpenter:		
Fruit tables	15 00	
7 tables for Ladies' Department....	7 00	
1 showcase.....	5 00	
Derrick for raising walnut log.....	2 40—	23 40
New Orleans Exposition & Manufacturing Agency:		
Storage of casks and boxes and returning same.....		19 80
H. J. Bruning:		
One desk.....		15 00
Preston Hall:		
Services in Ladies' Department in full.....		30 00
Dr. W. Spillman:		
Services arranging Geological exhibit.....		65 60

Jan. 28.	Jonas & Dalton:		
	Bill for printing labels, cards, letter heads, etc.....	31	20
Jan. 31.	Dr. H. E. McKay, salary for January, 1885.....	75	00
	Mrs. M. D. Leonard, salary for January	75	00
	Miss Maggie Kidd, salary for January	75	00
	F. L. Hatch, salary for January....	75	00
	G. T. Hamilton, salary for January	75	00
	J. K. English, salary for January..	75	00
	J. L. Walton, salary for January..	75	00
	R. Wharton, salary for January....	75	00
	V. Block, salary for January.....	50	00
	Tindall Evans, salary for January..	40	00
	H. E. Reynolds, salary for January	40	00
	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, salary for January.....	107	14
Jan. 31.	S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, expense account to 31st January:		
	Postage.....	2	25
	Expressage, drayage and freight....	19	75
	Car fares.....	3	40
	Laborers, carpenters, etc.....	11	35
	Domestic and calico.....	11	46
	Work on Woman's Department....	7	50
	Exhibits, rice and charcoal.....	4	50
	Expenses in New Orleans.....	15	00—
	H. V. Wall, Assistant Commissioner, salary and amounts paid to 31st:		75 21
	Batting.....	2	25
	Stamps.....	1	20
	Calico.....	8	68
	Tacks and nails.....		75
	Card board.....		50
	Books, blank....	2	50
	N. O. Express Co. and drayage....	3	75
	Screen for maps.....	1	50
	Glass.....	2	60
	Telegraph dispatches.....		50
	Express for Holly Springs.....		50
	Salary to Feb. 1, 1885.....	100	00—
March 3.	Tindall Evans, salary for February, 1885.....	124	13
	Ham. E. Reynolds, salary for February, 1885.....	40	00
	V. Block, salary for February, 1885.	40	00
	G. T. Hamilton, salary for February, 1885.....	50	00
		75	00

March 3 Miss Maggie Kidd, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
Mrs. M. D. Leonard, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
H. E. McKay, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
J. L. Walton, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
J. K. English, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
R. Wharton, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
F. L. Hatch, salary for February, 1885	75 00	
H. V. Wall, salary for February, 1885	100 00	
W. P. Dale, carpenter, work done to March 1	7 50	
W. P. Dale, carpenter:		
1 showcase, Ladies' Department....	6 00	
2 26-foot cypress boards	1 90	
Putting together wood screen	3 00	
Making one sign	1 00	
Making grain table	3 00	
Making model case	6 00	
Making tobacco case	7 00—	27 90
Carpenter & Elliott, 1 platform for bird scene		6 00
S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, salary to March 1		107 00
S. A. Jonas, Commissioner, expense account to March 1, as follows:		
Freight, drayage and expressage...	15 00	
Postage	2 50	
Glass for case	75	
Telegraph dispatches	2 10	
Blanks	2 50	
Commissioner's assessment	1 00	
Miscellaneous expenses	16 80—	40 60
Total disbursements from State fund through State Commissioner		\$11,699 43

DISBURSEMENTS AND TRANSFERS.

Amount of disbursements and transfers of funds supplied by
 Managemen of New Orleans Expositon and Congressional
 Appropriation on account of Mississippi Exhibit, by S.
 A. Jonas, U. S. Commissioner, as per accompanying
 vouchers.

1	Mrs. M. D. Leonard, Lady Commissioner, salary for March	\$ 75 00
2	Miss Maggie Kidd, Lady Commissioner, salary far March	75 00
3	G. T. Hamilton, Assistant, salary for March	75 00
4	H. V. Wall, Chief Assistant, salary for March..	100 00
	Exposition expenses February and March	76 25
5	H. E. Reynolds, services month of March	40 00
6	V. Block, Receiving and Shipping Clerk, month of March	50 00
7	F. L. Hatch, Assistant, month of March	75 00
8	J. L. Walton, Assistant and Decorator, month of March	75 00
9	R. Wharton, Assistant, month of March	75 00
10	J. K. English, Timber Agent and Exhibitor, month of March	75 00
11	Dr. H. E. McKay, in charge of horticultural ex- hibit, month of March	75 00
12	Expense account S. A. Jonas, United States Commissioner, month of March:	
	Freight, expressage and drayage	22 55
	Telegrams	4 60
	Brooms and tacks	1 80
	Street car fares	4 80
	Stamps and postage	6 20
	Paints, calico and curtains	5 65
	Printing additional invitations	4 00
	Sign cards	5 00
	Shuck mats and other exhibits	4 25
	Expenses in New Orleans	35 00
13	Salary S. A. Jonas, U. S. Commissioner, for March	107 00
14.	S. A. Dalton, envelopes and note heads	10 50

15	David Bernhardt, glue, paint, etc.	5 75
16	N. O. & N. E. Railroad, transfer charges on timber.	7 68
17	N. O. Express Co., freight and drayage	3 05
10	D. M. Hollingsworth, balance on iron railing .	76 60
10	Elkin & Co., carpets and window shades for headquarters.	51 50
10	T. J. Moran, 700 invitations Mississippi day...	10 00
21	W. E. Weeks & Co., 2000 programmes Missis- sippi day.	20 00
22	Vanhorten & Barton, freight and drayage.	3 08
23	Tindall Evans, services for March.	40 00
24	Miss P. Crump, case for insect collection.	10 65
25	Dr. W. Spillman, geological services.	24 30
26	Robert Brown, paid out for exhibits.	4 75
	Robert Brown, paid for alcohol, horticultural exhibit.	8 25
27	John P. Roe, reporting Mississippi exhibit in "The Milwaukee Wisconsin"	10 00
28	S. A. Jonas, U. S. Commissioner, expense ac- count for April:	
	Stamps and postage.	4 20
	Commissioner's assessments, 2 months, to April 20.	4 00
	Expressage, freights and drayage.	9 05
	Telegrams.	3 90
	Car fares.	2 80
	Miscellaneous and expenses in New Orleans..	15 00
29	S. A. Jonas, U. S. Commissioner, salary from April 1 to 10.	35 65
30	S. A. Dalton, letter heads for Mississippi De- partment.	4 00
31	R. Wharton, traveling expenses.	11 00
32	C. L. Van Houton, drayage and freight.	2 25
33	H. R. Barton, drayage on bale of hay	75
34	Cash turned over to R. Wharton, acting Com- missioner.	175 00
35	I. L. Lyon & Co., alcohol and jars for fish ex- hibit.	13 22
36	I. L. Lyon & Co., alcohol for fish exhibit.	49 25
37	I. L. Lyon & Co. alcohol for fish exhibit.	6 88
38	I. L. Lyon & Co., jars for fish exhibit.	3 15
39	I. L. Lyon & Co., bottles for wine exhibit.	55
40	I. L. Lyon & Co., glass urns for seeds	17 50
41	I. L. Lyon & Co., alcohol for horticultural ex- hibit.	5 05
42	I. L. Lyon & Co., alcohol for horticultural ex- hibit.	9 50
43	I. L. Lyon & Co., alcohol for horticultural ex- hibit.	12 53
	Glass urns for seed exhibits.	17 00

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44	I. L. Lyon & Co., alcohol for horticultural exhibit.	11 53
45	George S. Donnell, diagrams of Miss. space . .	5 00
46	Mrs. M. D. Leonard, Lady Commissioner, salary for April	75 00
47	Miss Maggie Kidd, Lady Commissioner, salary for April	75 00
48	R. Wharton, Assistant, salary for April	25 00
49	R. Wharton, Acting Com., salary for April	71 20
50	J. L. Walton, Decorator and Assistant, salary for April.	75 00
51	F. L. Hatch, Assisant, salary for April	75 00
52	J. K. English, Timber Agent and exhibitor, salary for April	75
53	G. T. Hamilton, Assistant, salary for April. . .	75 00
54	V. Block, Receiving and Shipping Clerk, salary for April	50 00
55	S. A. Jonas, telegraphing, postage, etc., in May, June, July, August, September and October..	25 00
56	U. S. Treasury warrant turned over to Ramsey Wharton, Esq., Acting Commissioner for Mississippi	1,618 75
Total		<u>\$ 4,011 92</u>